GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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EDUCATION FOR ALL PROGRAMME
BHIM PRASAD DAHAL

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are a large number of children in the north-east and Sikkim who do not go to school;

(b) if so, whether substantial amount of funds have been released by the Central Government to the Statesunder the Education for All Programme;

(c) if so, whether that money is yet to be spent because of delay and non-identification of centres in the respective districts; and

(d) if so, the expenditure incurred so far by these States?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) The number of out-of-school children, in the North- Eastern states, including Sikkim, is estimated to be 281958.

(b)&(c) Central Government has released Rs. 6354.25 lakh to theNorth-Easternstates including Sikkim for achieving the Goal of Universalisation of Elementary Education (UEE) under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) in the financial years 2000-01 and 2001-2002.

The details of the amount approved, state-wise, for the year 2002-2003 is given hereunder:-

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of state	2002-03
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	2510.91
2.	Assam	#
3.	Manipur	#
4.	Meghalaya	District Elementary Education Plans not received
5.	Mizoram	1602.24
6.	Nagaland	1971.17
7	Sikkim	930.93
8.	Tripura	1654.98

Appraisal of District Elementary Education Plan for the year 2002-2003 are in process.

A centrally sponsored scheme of DPEP is also in operation in the state of Assam. Rs. 3594, Rs. 4700 and Rs.1800 lakh have been released to Assam under this programme in the years 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and 2002- 2003 respectively.

(d) The information is being collected and shall be laid on the table of the house.